Rama Varmha Tampuran.—If he had occasion to attend a conference or a meeting he always shows that in his diary.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Will the Government collect statistics showing how much land is cultivated according to the instructions given by the Department so that we may just consider this aspect hereafter in certain schemes to be introduced here ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is rather impossible to collect that information. It requires house-to-house enquiry to find out which cultivator has exactly followed the methods of the Department.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—At least when the instructions are followed in a substantial degree cannot the officer concerned make a note of it in his diary ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Government would consider whether something could be done in that line.

Enquiry—Agricultural Department.

172. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they have at any time after the inception of the Agricultural Department in the State, conducted any specific inquiry into the working of that department with a view to ascertain whether that department has served its purpose or realised any of its aims ;

(b) if such an inquiry has been conducted, what is the finding of the Government ;

(c) and if not, do they not consider that such an inquiry is an urgent necessity in view of the huge sums of money annually spent by them on that department?

Rama Varmha Tampuran —(a) No.

(b) No answer is required in view of the answer to (a).

(c) The Government do not consider that such an inquiry is an urgent necessity.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Did the Government receive any suggestion from the present Head of the Department as to the betterment of the Department ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I don't remember exactly. I want notice.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Did the Government call for any suggestion from the Department ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice.

Cattle epidemics—Mukundapuram Taluk.

173. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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